COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUCETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS REGARDING LICENSING OF LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES (105 CMR 150.000)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 2 that the Department of Public Health will hold a Public Hearing to receive written and oral testimony on amendments to regulations entitled Licensing of Long-Term Care Facilities (105 CMR 150.000).

The proposed amendment would require that all nursing homes acquire automated external defibrillators and train staff in their use.

The hearing will be held on February 18, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Health, Public Health Council Room, 250 Washington Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA, 02108.

Submissions made prior to the public hearing should be delivered to the Nancy Murphy, Division of Health Care Quality, Department of Public Health, 10 West Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA, 02111. Speakers are requested to provide a written copy or summary of their statements at the hearing. All written comments and testimony must be submitted by February 23, 2005.

Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from LouAnn Stanton, Office of the General Counsel at 617-624-5220.

Date	Christine C. Ferguson
	Commissioner